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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2001–02 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1977**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Strickland**  
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An act to add Section 6397 to the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation, to take effect immediately, tax levy.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1977, as amended, Strickland. Sales and use taxes: exemptions: computers.

The Sales and Use Tax Law imposes a tax on the gross receipts from the sale of, or the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of, tangible personal property, and provides various exemptions from that tax. Existing law authorizes cities, counties, and cities and counties to impose local sales and use taxes or transactions and use taxes, and provides that exemptions from state sales and use tax are incorporated into those local taxes.

This bill would provide an exemption from state sales and use tax ~~for the first \$1,000~~ of the gross receipts, *not to exceed \$2,000*, from the sale of ~~any home or laptop~~ *specified computer products* purchased during an annual specified period.

This bill would specify that this exemption does not apply to local sales and use taxes or transactions and use taxes.

This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 6397 is added to the Revenue and  
2 Taxation Code, to read:  
3 6397. (a) There are exempted from the computation of the  
4 amount of the sales tax the ~~first one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of~~  
5 ~~the gross receipts~~ *gross receipts, not to exceed two thousand*  
6 *dollars (\$2,000), from the sale of any home or laptop computer,*  
7 *computer, computer monitor, computer keyboard, computer*  
8 *printer, or computer scanner, as provided in subdivision (b).*  
9 (b) ~~The sale shall take place during a~~ *The exemption authorized*  
10 *under subdivision (a) shall apply to sales that occur during the*  
11 *three-day period beginning at 12:01 a.m. on either the last*  
12 *Saturday in August or the first Saturday in September, as*  
13 *applicable, and ending at 12:00 midnight on the first Monday in*  
14 *September.*  
15 (c) Notwithstanding any provision of the Bradley-Burns  
16 Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law (Part 1.5 (commencing  
17 with Section 7200)) or the Transactions and Use Tax Law (Part 1.6  
18 (commencing with Section 7251)), the exemption established  
19 herein does not apply with respect to any tax levied by a county,  
20 city, or district pursuant to, or in accordance with, either of these  
21 laws.  
22 SEC. 2. This act provides for a tax levy within the meaning of  
23 Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect.